

**Board of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: June 16, 2004

Bulk Item: Yes ☒ No ☐

Division: Board of County Commissioners

Department: **George R. Neugent**

AGENDA ITEM WORDING:

Approval of a resolution by Monroe County Board of Commissioners in support of the Cities of Boca Raton, Hollywood and Broward County for the FACE Program. The FACE program is supported in whole by Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Kendrick Meek, Alcee Hastings, Peter Deutsch, Lincoln & Mario Diaz-Balart and Robert Wexler all members of Congress. The Face Program initiative requests support to study sources of nutrients, trace metals, and unregulated substances in coastal oceans and their impact on South Florida Coastal Habitats and ecosystems; supporting local participation and federal funding.

ITEM BACKGROUND:

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOTAL COST:

BUDGETED: YES ☐ NO ☐

COST TO COUNTY: \$

Source of Funds: _____

REVENUE PRODUCING: YES ☐ NO ☐ **AMT PER MONTH:** **YEAR:**

APPROVED BY: COUNTY ATTY ☐ OMB/PURCHASING ☐ RISK MANAGEMENT ☐

APPROVAL:

Mr. George R. Neugent
Commissioner GEORGE R. NEUGENT
DISTRICT II

DOCUMENTATION: INCLUDED ☒ TO FOLLOW ☐ NOT REQUIRED ☐

DISPOSITION:

AGENDA ITEM # Q 10

Commissioner Neugent

RESOLUTION NO. -2004

A RESOLUTION OF MONROE COUNTY SUPPORTING THE FLORIDA AREA COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL (FACE) INITIATIVE TO STUDY SOURCES OF NUTRIENTS, TRACE METALS AND UNREGULATED SUBSTANCES IN THE COASTAL OCEAN AND THEIR IMPACT ON SOUTH FLORIDA'S COASTAL HABITATS AND ECOSYSTEMS; SUPPORTING LOCAL PARTICIPATION AND FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE FACE INITIATIVE; AND DIRECTING THAT THE CLERK OF THE COURT SEND A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS.

WHEREAS, the citizens and visitors of Monroe County are attracted by the high quality of life and the area's natural resources; and

WHEREAS, healthy coastal environments; including coral reef habitats, contribute to the quality of life and local economy; and

WHEREAS, algae blooms and other phenomena have been identified that potentially threaten the coastal environments including the coral reef habitats; and

WHEREAS, the causes of these algae blooms and other phenomena are not fully understood, but may be the result of natural and human-related sources of nutrients, trace metals and unregulated compounds; and

WHEREAS, the FACE initiative was created to provide scientific and engineering information on the sources and impacts of nutrients, trace metals and unregulated compounds in the coastal environment; and

WHEREAS, the FACE initiative is overseen by a steering committee, headed by scientists from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, that includes representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the science and information gathered and developed by the FACE initiative will be useful to local, state and federal resource managers, and regulators in the protection of the coastal resources; and

WHEREAS, federal government funding of the FACE initiative is appropriate as a broad based effort to understand impacts on the coastal ocean environments and to establish protection for those environments; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Section 1. That Monroe County supports the FACE initiative to gather and develop scientific and engineering information on the sources and impacts of nutrients, trace metals and unregulated compounds in the coastal ocean environment.

Section 2. That Monroe County supports federal funding for the FACE initiative.

Section 3. That the Clerk of the Circuit Court forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the South Florida Water Management District Governing Board Members.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, at a regular meeting of said Board held on the 16th day of June, 2004.

Mayor Nelson
Mayor Pro Tem Rice
Commissioner McCoy
Commissioner Neugent
Commissioner Spehar

(SEAL)

Attest: DANNY L. KOLHAGE, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Deputy Clerk

By _____
Mayor/Chairperson

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MONROE COUNTY ATTORNEY
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John R. Collins
JOHN R. COLLINS
COUNTY ATTORNEY
Date 06/03/04